

IN THE CLAIMS

1 (Currently Amended). A method ~~of a server system custom provisioning a generically pre-provisioned client device, the method comprising:~~
receiving, at an Internet service provider, a request from a client device for Internet service ~~a connection from the client device;~~ and
downloading provisioning data to the ~~generically pre-provisioned~~ client device to enable the client device to receive an Internet service from said Internet service provider.

2 (Currently Amended). The method of claim 1 further comprising:
authenticating the ~~generically pre-provisioned~~ client device; and
the downloading being conditioned upon the authenticating.

3 (Currently Amended). The method of claim 2 further comprising:
sending out-of-band data to a user of the ~~generically pre-provisioned~~ client device
prior to receiving the connection.

Claims 4-7 (Canceled).

8 (New). A processor-based system comprising:
a provisioning agent to enable said system to acquire from an Internet service provider the information the system needs to make an initial connection; and
a storage, coupled to said agent, to store said information.

9 (New). The system of claim 8 including an out-of-band communication interface.

10 (New). A processor-based system comprising:
a provisioning server to enable said system to respond to a client request with information the client needs to make an initial connection to the server; and
an address server coupled to said provisioning server.

11 (New). The system of claim 10 including a static address server.

12 (New). The system of claim 10 including a dynamic address server.